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1. IN ORDER TO AVOID REOCCURRENCE OF THE CONFUSION THAT PRECEDED THE ABSALON EXPRESS EXERCISE., WE FEEL THAT NATO SHOULD DECIDE HOW THIS PROBLEM OF POL STOCKS WILL BE HANDLED IN FUTURE EXERCISES.

2. MISSION SHOULD PROPOSE THAT THE MILITARY COMMITTEE BE REQUESTED TO REVIEW THE NATO EXERCISE PROGRAM OF THE YEAR AHEAD, IN TERMS OF POL CONSUMPTION, TO DETERMINE AMOUNTS THAT COULD BE SAVED BY CURTAILING THE EXERCISE PROGRAM. THE MC SHOULD PROVIDE THE DPC WITH A SELECTION OF ALTERNATIVE EXERCISE PROGRAMS DESIGNED TO LIMIT POL CONSUMPTION

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IN VARIOUS DEGREES. THIS WOULD ALLOW THE DPC TO APPROVE

EXERCISE PROGRAMS WITH FULL AWARENESS OF POL REQUIREMENTS.
ALTERNATIVES PROPOSED BY MC SHOULD BE DESIGNED TO ENSURE
MAXIMUM FORCE READINESS COMMENSURATE WITH REDUCTIONS IN
POL CONSUMPTION.

3. HE DPC SHOULD ALSO REQUEST THAT EACH MEMBER EXAMINE
ITS NATIONAL INVOLVEMENT IN THE EXERCISE PROGRAM AND TO
INDICATE ITS ABILITY TO PARTICIPATE EITHER IN THE FULL
PROGRAM OR IN ONE WHICH HAS BEEN REDUCED. KISSINGER

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